

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 96-143-C - ORDER NO. 96-516
AUGUST 5, 1996

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IN RE: Application of Automated Communications,) ORDER
Inc. DBA AC America for Approval of a) DENYING
Sale of Assets to Phoenix Network, Inc.) REQUEST FOR A
) WAIVER OF
) HEARING, BUT
) GRANTING
) EXTENSION OF
) TIME TO FILE
) TESTIMONY

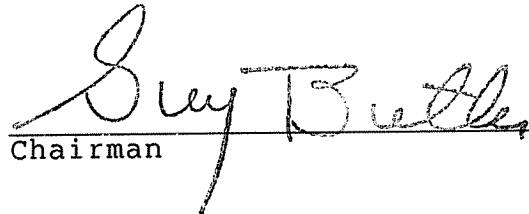
This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Application of Automated Communications, Inc. (ACI) DBA AC America for approval of the sale of its assets to Phoenix Network, Inc. ACI will cease doing business after the transfer and seeks cancellation of its Certificate. The Applicant ask for waiver of the hearing in this matter, based on the small amount of assets involved. In the alternative, the Applicant seeks an extension of the pre-file date in this matter, past July 25, 1996.

The Commission has examined this matter and holds that the request for waiver of a hearing is hereby denied. The Commission believes that a hearing is appropriate in this matter. The Commission does, however, grant an extension of the pre-file dates in this matter. The Applicant must file on or before August 15, 1996, any testimony and exhibits that it may wish to file. Staff

and any other Intervenor may file testimony and exhibits on or before August 20, 1996. The Commission cautions the parties that all parties must be served with copies of testimony and exhibits.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

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